

Beierle Farm, Carage
Denver International Airport Site
Hudson Road & 96th Avenue
Denver
Denver County
Colorado

HABS No. C0-124-F

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Location: Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 24, Township 2 South, Range 65 West, Sixth Prime Meridian. Denver County, Colorado. Vicinity of Watkins, Colorado.

UTM: 13: 532500, 4412500

Present Owner: Denver International Airport,
City and County of Denver

Present Occupant: Vacant

Present Use: None

Statement of
Significance:

As a complex, the current Beierle Farm offers an example of the work process and flow of a wheat and grain farm and its methods of operation. In particular the grain bins and scale house offer examples of facilities frequently used by farmers in the area. Other buildings testify to the evolution of the farm from a dairy to a grain farm.

The Beierle Farm also has significance as an example of farm evolution and development by Adams County, Colorado, tenant farmers. Tenant farming was a common pattern of land use and livelihood for much of the area during most of the twentieth century. The Ray Beierle family worked as tenant farmers for more than fifty years. They worked at this farm for three different landlords, the Grossmans, the District Land Owners Trust and finally for Box Elder Farms until 1990. In addition, the Beierle Farm house is a significant example of an 1890s vernacular hipped cottage.

Project Statement: This Historic American Building Survey recording project is part of both the historic preservation plan for the Denver International Airport and a long term program to document historically significant buildings in the United States. The City and County of Denver through the Denver International Airport provided funding for the project.

The field work, measured drawings, historical reports and photographs were prepared under the direction of Deborah Andrews of Andrews & Anderson under contract to the City and County of Denver. Deborah Andrews, Nanon Anderson, Karen Hardaway and Jim Fischer of Andrews & Anderson did the field measurements and architectural delineations. Arnold Thallheimer undertook the photography. Steven Mehls of Western Historical Studies, under sub-contract to Andrews & Anderson, served as project historian.

Historian:

Steven F. Mehls, Western Historical
Studies, Inc., March 10, 1992

Garage

Exterior

The garage is a one-story building of 2x4 and 3x6 wood frame construction with a medium gable roof. The foundation is concrete block on grade. There is a rear addition constructed of new 2x4 framing covered with plywood sheathing. The garage has a fiberglass overhead door. In addition, there is one entry door and a window (east side). The roof is contemporary standing seam metal. The siding is masonite, in a vertical T-111 configuration below the top plate, and horizontal lap siding on the gable ends. The building dates to the 1960s and replaced a garage built during the 1920s.

Interior

The interior of the main garage has a concrete slab floor; otherwise the interior is unfinished.

Existing Condition

The building is in good condition at the present time.